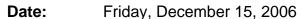
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ARTESIA FREEWAY (SR-91) LANE AND RAMP CLOSURES (UPDATE)

LOS ANGELES- The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces the following lane and ramp closures for the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lane reconstruction and pavement replacement project on the westbound Artesia Freeway (SR-91), from Harbor Freeway (SR-110) to Lakewood Boulevard in Bellflower. The following overnight closure schedule will be in effect, weather permitting. At least one lane will remain open to traffic in each direction at all times. Ramp closures will be staged so that no two consecutive ramps are closed at the same time.

Eastbound SR-91

Monday, December 18, 2006 through Friday, December 22, 2006

- 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. HOV lane between Wilmington Boulevard and Downey Avenue.
- 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. Connectors from the north- and southbound Long Beach Freeway (I-710) to the Artesia Freeway (SR-91).
- 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. Up to four regular use lanes between Harbor Freeway (SR-110) and Downey Avenue.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Main Street on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Avalon Boulevard on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Wilmington Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. Central Avenue on- and off-ramps.

Westbound SR-91

Monday, December 18, 2006 through Friday, December 22, 2006

- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. HOV lane between Downey Avenue and Long Beach Freeway (I-710).
- 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. Connectors to the Harbor Freeway (SR-110).
- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. Up to four regular use lanes between Downey Avenue and Long Beach Freeway (I-710).

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- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. Up to four regular use lanes between Wilmington Avenue and Harbor Freeway (SR-110).
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Wilmington Avenue on-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Central Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Avalon Boulevard on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Main Street on- and off-ramps.

SR-91 is one of the most heavily traveled freeways in Los Angeles County and was also one of the first freeways to offer carpool lanes. As a result of heavy use, the asphalt pavement has experienced extensive wear. New pavement will improve safety and mobility for motorists. Completion of the entire project, which covers SR-91 from Downey Avenue to Vermont Avenue, is fall 2008.

Caltrans advises motorists to "Slow For The Cone Zone."

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